

# INITIATORY

## MALE INITIATORY ORDINANCES

### WASHING

Brother \_\_\_\_\_, in the name of Jesus Christ and by the authority of the Holy Priesthood, I wash you preparatory to receiving your anointings, that you may become clean from the blood and sins of this generation. I wash your head, that your brain and your intellect may be clear and active; your ears, that you may hear the word of the Lord; your eyes, that you may see clearly and discern between truth and error; your nose, that you may smell; your lips, that you may never speak guile; your neck, that it may bear up your head properly; your shoulders, that they may bear the burdens that shall be placed thereon; your back, that there may be marrow in the bones and in the spine; your breast, that it may be the receptacle of pure and virtuous principles; your vitals and bowels, that they may be healthy and strong and perform their proper functions; your arms and hands, that they may be strong and wield the sword of justice in defense of truth and virtue; your loins, that you may be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth, that you may have joy and rejoicing in your posterity; your legs and feet, that you may run and not be weary, and walk and not faint.

### CONFIRMATION OF THE WASHING

Brother \_\_\_\_\_, by authority of the Holy Priesthood, we lay our hands upon your head and seal upon you this washing, that you may become clean from the blood and sins of this generation through your faithfulness, in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

### ANOINTING

Brother \_\_\_\_\_, in the name of Jesus Christ and by the authority of the Holy Priesthood, I pour this holy anointing oil upon your head and anoint you preparatory to your becoming a King and a Priest unto the Most High God, hereafter to rule and reign in the House of Israel forever. I anoint your head, that you brain and your intellect may be clear and active; your ears, that you may hear the word of the Lord; your eyes, that you may see clearly and discern between truth and error; your nose, that you may smell; your lips, that you may never speak guile; your neck, that it may bear up your head properly; your shoulders, that they may bear the burdens that shall be placed thereon; your back, that there may be marrow in the bones and in the spine; your breast, that it may be the receptacle of pure and virtuous principles; your vitals and bowels, that they may be healthy and strong and perform their proper functions; your arms and hands, that they may be strong and wield the sword of justice in defense of truth and virtue; your loins, that you may be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth, that you may have joy and rejoicing in your posterity; your legs and feet, that you may run and not be weary, and walk and not faint.

### CONFIRMATION OF THE ANOINTING

Brother \_\_\_\_\_, by authority of the Holy Priesthood, we lay our hands upon your head and confirm upon you this anointing preparatory to your becoming a King and a Priest unto the Most High God, hereafter to rule and reign in the House of Israel forever; and seal upon you all the blessings hereunto appertaining, through your faithfulness. *(Add whatever blessings or counsel that the Spirit dictates.)* In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

### GARMENT OF THE HOLY PRIESTHOOD AND NEW NAME

Brother \_\_\_\_\_, in the name of Jesus Christ and by the authority of the Holy Priesthood, I place this Garment upon you which you must wear throughout your life. It represents the Garment given to Adam when he was found naked in the Garden of Eden, and is called the Garment of the Holy Priesthood. Inasmuch as you do not defile it, but are true and faithful to your covenants, it will be a shield and a protection to you against the power of the destroyer until you have finished your work here on earth. With this Garment I give you a New Name, which you should always remember, and which you must keep sacred, and never reveal except at a certain place which will be shown you hereafter. The name is "\_\_\_\_\_."

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## FEMALE INITIATORY ORDINANCES

### WASHING

Sister \_\_\_\_\_, in the name of Jesus Christ and by the authority of the Holy Priesthood, I wash you preparatory to receiving your anointings and pronounce you clean from the blood and sins of this generation. And inasmuch as you have obeyed the principles of the gospel of Jesus Christ with a true and honest heart, you are clean every whit.

*The following is optional and is given if the Spirit prompts that it be given.*

I wash your head, that your brain and your intellect may be clear and active; your ears, that you may hear the counsel of your husband and the word of the Lord; your eyes, that you may see clearly and discern between truth and error; your nose, that you may smell; your lips, that you may never speak guile; your neck, that it may bear up your head properly; your shoulders, that they may bear the burdens that shall be placed thereon; your back, that there may be marrow in the bones and in the spine; your breast, that it may be the receptacle of pure and virtuous principles; your vitals and bowels, that they may be healthy and strong and perform their proper functions; your arms and hands, that they may be strong and perform all that shall be required for good; your loins, that you may be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth, that you may have joy in your posterity; your legs and feet, that you may run and not be weary, and walk and not faint.

### CONFIRMATION OF THE WASHING

Sister \_\_\_\_\_, by authority of the Holy Priesthood, we lay our hands upon your head and seal upon you this washing preparatory to your receiving your further endowment. In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

### ANOINTING

Sister \_\_\_\_\_, in the name of Jesus Christ and by the authority of the Holy Priesthood, I pour this holy anointing oil upon your head and anoint you preparatory to your becoming a Queen and a Priestess unto your husband, hereafter to rule and reign with him in the House of Israel forever. I anoint your head, that your brain and your intellect may be clear and active; your ears, that you may hear the counsel of your husband and the word of the Lord; your eyes, that you may see clearly and discern between truth and error; your nose, that you may smell; your lips, that you may never speak guile; your neck, that it may bear up your head properly; your shoulders, that they may bear the burdens that shall be placed thereon; your back, that there may be marrow in the bones and in the spine; your breast, that it may be the receptacle of pure and virtuous principles; your vitals and bowels, that they may be healthy and strong and perform their proper functions; your arms and hands, that they may be strong and perform all that shall be required for good; your loins, that you may be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth, that you may have joy in your posterity; your legs and feet, that you may run and not be weary, and walk and not faint.

### CONFIRMATION OF THE ANOINTING

Sister \_\_\_\_\_, by authority of the Holy Priesthood, we lay our hands upon your head and confirm upon you this anointing preparatory to your becoming a Queen and a Priestess unto your husband, hereafter to rule and reign with him in the House of Israel forever; and seal upon you all the blessings hereunto appertaining, through your faithfulness. *(Add whatever blessings or counsel that the Spirit dictates.)* In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

### GARMENT OF THE HOLY PRIESTHOOD AND NEW NAME

Sister \_\_\_\_\_, in the name of Jesus Christ and by the authority of the Holy Priesthood, I place this Garment upon you which you must wear throughout your life. It represents the Garment given to Adam and Eve when they were found naked in the Garden of Eden, and is called the Garment of the Holy Priesthood. Inasmuch as you do not defile it, but are true and faithful to your covenants, it will be a shield and a protection to you against the power of the destroyer until you have finished your work here on earth. With this Garment I give you a New Name, which you should always remember, and which you must keep sacred, and never reveal except at a certain place which will be shown you hereafter. The name is "\_\_\_\_\_."

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# ENDOWMENT



# ENDOWMENT CEREMONY

## Creation Room

### Introduction

Peter: Brethren and sisters, we welcome you to the Endowment House, and hope you will find joy in the house of the Lord this day. You should have been washed, anointed, and clothed in the Garment of the Holy Priesthood. Each of you should have received a New Name. If any of you have forgotten the New Name, or have not received these ordinances as explained, please stand.

Please be alert, attentive, and reverent during the presentation of the Endowment. As you are asked to proceed to the Veil, please do so in an orderly manner as directed. After passing through the Veil into the Celestial Room, and other areas in the Endowment House, if you need to communicate, please whisper, thus helping us maintain the quiet reverence that should prevail in the House of the Lord. We will now proceed with the presentation of the Endowment.

James: Brethren, you have been washed and pronounced clean, or that through your faithfulness you may become clean from the blood and sins of this generation. You have been anointed to become hereafter Kings and Priests unto the Most High God, to rule and reign in the House of Israel forever.

Sisters, you have been washed and anointed to become hereafter Queens and Priestesses to your husbands. You have been pronounced clean from the blood and sins of this generation.

Brethren and sisters, if you are true and faithful, the day will come when you will be chosen, called up, and anointed Kings and Queens, Priests and Priestesses, whereas you are now anointed only to become such. The realization of these blessings depends upon your faithfulness.

You have had a Garment placed upon you, which you were informed represents the garment given to Adam and Eve when they were found naked in the garden of Eden, and which is called the "Garment of the Holy Priesthood." This you were instructed to wear throughout your life. You were informed that it will be a shield and a protection to you inasmuch as you do not defile it, and if you are true and faithful to your covenants.

You have had a New Name given unto you, which you were told never to divulge nor forget. This New Name is a key word which you will be required to give at a certain place in the Endowment House today. Your Endowment is to prepare you for the Glory of the Lord through instructions pertaining to creation, life, salvation and exaltation, making and receiving covenants, tokens, signs, key words, and penalties; allowing you to detect all things true and teaching you how to commune through the Veil.

If you proceed and receive your full endowment, you will be required to take upon yourselves sacred obligations, the violation of which will bring upon you the judgment of God; for God will not be mocked. If any of you desire to withdraw rather than accept these obligations of your own free will and choice, you may now make it known by raising your hand.

Brethren and sisters, as you sit here, you will hear the voices of three persons who represent Eloheim, Jehovah, and Michael. Eloheim will command Jehovah and Michael to go down and organize a world. The work of the six creative periods will be represented. They will organize man in their own likeness and image, male and female. This, however, is simply figurative so far as the man and woman are concerned.

## The Creation -- First Day

Eloheim: Jehovah, Michael, see: Yonder is matter unorganized. Go ye down and organize it into a world like unto the worlds that we have heretofore formed. Call your labors the First Day, and bring me word.

Jehovah: It shall be done Eloheim. Come Michael, let us go down.

Michael: We will go down, Jehovah.

Jehovah: Michael, see: Here is matter unorganized. We will organize it into a world like unto the worlds that we have heretofore formed. We will call our labors the First Day, and return and report.

Michael: We will return and report our labors of the First Day, Jehovah.

Jehovah: Eloheim, we have been down as thou hast commanded, and have organized a world like unto the worlds that we have heretofore formed, and we have called our labors the First Day.

Eloheim: It is well.

## The Creation -- Second Day

Eloheim: Jehovah, Michael, go down again. Gather the waters together and cause the dry land to appear. The great waters call ye seas, and the dry land call ye earth. Form mountains and hills, great rivers and small streams, to beautify and give variety to the face of the earth. Call your labors the Second Day, and bring me word.

Jehovah: It shall be done, Eloheim. Come Michael, let us go down.

Michael: We will go down, Jehovah.

Jehovah: Michael, we will gather the waters together and cause the dry land to appear. The great waters we will call seas, and the dry land we will call earth. We will form mountains and hills, great rivers and small streams to beautify and give variety to the face of the earth. We will call our labors the Second Day, and return and report.

Michael: We will return and report our labors of the Second Day, Jehovah.

Jehovah: Eloheim, we have been down as thou hast commanded, and have gathered the waters together, and have caused the dry land to appear. The great waters we have called seas, and the dry land we have called earth. We have formed mountains and hills, great rivers, and small streams, to beautify and give variety to the face of the earth; and we have called our labors the Second Day.

Eloheim: It is well.

## The Creation -- Third Day

Eloheim: Jehovah, Michael, return again to the earth that you have organized. Divide the

light from the darkness. Call the light "day," and the darkness "night." Cause the lights in the firmament to appear, the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. Cause the stars also to appear and give light to the earth, the same as with worlds heretofore created. Call your labors the Third Day, and bring me word.

Jehovah: It shall be done, Eloheim. Come Michael, let us return again to the earth that we have organized.

Michael: We will return again, Jehovah.

Jehovah: Michael, we will divide the light from the darkness, and we will call the light "day," and the darkness "night." We will cause the lights in the firmament to appear, the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. We will cause the stars also to appear and give light to the earth; the same as with worlds heretofore created. We will call our labors the Third Day, and return and report.

Michael: We will return and report our labors of the Third Day, Jehovah.

Jehovah: Eloheim, we have been down as thou hast commanded, and have divided the light from the darkness, and have called the light "day," and the darkness "night." We have caused the lights in the firmament to appear, the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. We have caused the stars also to appear and give light to the earth, the same as with worlds heretofore created. We have called our labors the Third Day.

Eloheim: It is well.

## The Creation -- Fourth Day

Eloheim: Jehovah, Michael, return again. Place seeds of all kinds in the earth that they may spring forth as grass, flowers, shrubbery, trees, and all manner of vegetation; each bearing seed in itself after its own kind, as on the worlds we have heretofore created. Call your labors the Fourth Day, and bring me word.

Jehovah: It shall be done, Eloheim. Come Michael, let us go down.

Michael: We will go down, Jehovah.

Jehovah: Michael, we will place seeds of all kinds in the earth that they may spring forth as grass, flowers, shrubbery, trees, and all manner of vegetation; each bearing seed in itself after its own kind, as on the worlds we have heretofore created. We will call our labors the Fourth Day, and return and report.

Michael: We will return and report our labors of the Fourth Day, Jehovah.

Jehovah: Eloheim, we have been down as thou hast commanded, and have placed seeds of all kinds in the earth that they may spring forth as grass, flowers, shrubbery, trees, and all manner of vegetation; each bearing seed in itself, after its own kind, as on the worlds we have heretofore created; and we have called our labors the Fourth Day.

Eloheim: It is well.

## The Creation -- Fifth Day

Eloheim: Jehovah, Michael, now that the earth is formed, divided and beautified, and vegetation is growing thereon, return and place beasts upon the land: the elephant, the lion, the tiger, the bear, the horse, and all other kinds of animals; fowls in the air in all their varieties, fishes of all kinds in the waters, and insects and all manner of animal life upon the earth. Command the beasts, the fowls, the fishes, the insects, all creeping things, and other forms of animal life to multiply in their respective elements, each after its kind, and every kind of vegetation to multiply in its sphere, that every form of life may fill the measure of its creation, and have joy therein. Call your labors the Fifth Day, and bring me word.

Jehovah: It shall be done, Eloheim. Come Michael, let us go down.

Michael: We will go down, Jehovah.

Jehovah: Michael, now that the earth is formed, divided and beautified, and vegetation is growing thereon, we will place beasts upon the land: the elephant, the lion, the tiger, the bear, the horse, and all other kinds of animals; fowls in the air in all their varieties, fishes of all kinds in the waters, and insects and all manner of animal life upon the earth. We will command the beasts, the fowls, the fishes, the insects, all creeping things, and other forms of animal life to multiply in their respective elements, each after its kind, and every kind of vegetation to multiply in its sphere, that every form of life may fill the measure of its creation, and have joy therein. We will call our labors the Fifth Day, and return and report.

Michael: It is well, Jehovah. Now that the earth is formed, divided and beautified with vegetation growing thereon, and provided with animal life, it is glorious and beautiful.

Jehovah: It is, Michael.

Michael: Let us return and report our labors of the Fifth Day, Jehovah.

Jehovah: Eloheim, we have been down as thou has commanded; we have placed beasts upon the land: the elephant, the lion, the tiger, the bear, the horse, and all other kinds of animals; fowls in the air in all their varieties, fishes of all kinds in the waters, and insects, and all manner of animal life upon the earth. We have commanded the beasts, the fowls; the fishes, the insects, all creeping things, and other forms of animal life to multiply in their respective elements, each after its kind, and every kind of vegetation to multiply in its sphere, that every form of life may fill the measure of its creation, and have joy therein. We have called our labors the Fifth Day.

Eloheim: It is well.

## The Creation -- Sixth Day

Eloheim: Jehovah, Michael, is man found on the earth?

Jehovah: Man is not found on the earth, Eloheim.

Eloheim: Jehovah, then let us go down and place Michael there with the Priesthood title of

Adam, in our own likeness and in our own image, and let us give him dominion over the beasts, the fishes, and the birds, and make him lord over the earth, and over all things on the face of the earth. We will bring to him the mother of his spirit children, who will dwell on this earth, to be his companion and helpmeet. She shall bear the Priesthood title of Eve. We will cause a deep sleep to come upon him so that he will forget much of his life and labors in the Council of the Gods. We will plant a garden eastward in Eden and will place them in it. We will there command Adam and Eve to multiply and replenish the earth that they may have joy and rejoicing in their posterity. We will place before them the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, and we will allow Lucifer, our common enemy, whom we have thrust out, to tempt them and to try them, that they may know by their own experience the good from the evil. If they yield to temptation and partake of the fruit of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, the fruit thereof shall cause blood to flow again in their veins, according to law, so that they can begin the process of providing temporal tabernacles for their own spirit children. When they have finished their work on the earth we will allow them to partake of the fruit of the Tree of Life and again return to their high place among the Gods. We will give unto them the Law of Sacrifice and we will provide a Savior for Adam's children, as we counseled in the beginning, whereby they may be brought forth by the power of the redemption and the resurrection, and come again into our presence, and through the laws of Obedience, Sacrifice, the Gospel, Chastity, and Consecration and with us partake of Eternal Life and Exaltation. When we have done this, we will call our labors the Sixth Day and we will rest from our labors for a season. Come let us go down.

Jehovah: We will go down, Eloheim.

Michael: We will go down.

Eloheim: Jehovah, Michael, see the earth that we have formed. It is glorious and beautiful, and is acceptable to the Gods. However, there is no man to till and take care of it. Therefore, Michael, it is now time for you to take upon yourself the Priesthood title of Adam. Jehovah, is it good for man to be alone?

Jehovah: It is not good for man to be alone, Eloheim.

*For we are not alone*  
(Eloheim, Jehovah and Michael enter the Creation Room.)

Eloheim: Michael, we will bring the mother of your spirit children, who will dwell on this earth, to be your companion and helpmeet. Both of you must eat of the fruit of this earth until blood again flows in your veins, according to law, so that you may begin the process of providing temporal tabernacles for your own spirit children. When you have finished your work here, you may eat of the fruit of the Tree of Life and again return to your own place in the Council of the Gods and reign as the Eternal Father of this world.

Michael, we will cause a deep sleep to come upon you which shall cause you to forget much of your life and labors in the Council of the Gods. When you awaken from this sleep which we shall cause to come upon you, you will be known as Adam and your wife will be known as Eve.

Michael, it is now time for you to sleep, but we shall awaken you soon and give you further instructions. *(Michael sits down. Eloheim and Jehovah lay their hands upon his head and he falls asleep.)*

Narrator: Brethren and sisters, this is Michael, who helped form the earth. When he awakens from the sleep which Eloheim and Jehovah have caused to come upon him, he will be known as Adam and will have forgotten all. Brethren, close your eyes as if you were asleep. *(Eve enters the Garden of Eden.)*

Eloheim: Adam, awake and arise.

Narrator: All the brethren will please arise.

Eloheim: Adam, see the woman whom we give unto you to be your companion and helpmeet. What will you call her?

Adam: Eve.

Eloheim: Why will you call her Eve?

Adam: Because she is the mother of all living.

Eloheim: That is right, Adam. She is the mother of all living. Adam, we have planted for you a Garden eastward in Eden. We will place you in the Garden and we will there command you and Eve to multiply and replenish the earth that you may have joy and rejoicing in your posterity.

Jehovah, introduce Adam and Eve into the Garden.

Jehovah: It shall be done, Eloheim.

Narrator: The brethren will follow Adam and the sisters will follow Eve, and we will introduce you into the Garden.



## The Garden Room

Eloheim: Adam, Eve, this earth has been created for you, and it has placed upon it all kinds of vegetation and animal life. We have commanded all these to multiply in their own sphere and element. We give you dominion over all these things, and make you, Adam, lord over the whole earth, and all things on the face thereof. We now command you to multiply and replenish the earth, that you may have joy and rejoicing in your posterity. We have, also, planted for you this Garden, wherein we have placed all manner of fruits, flowers, and vegetation. Of every tree of the Garden thou mayest freely eat, but of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil thou shalt not eat; nevertheless, thou mayest choose for thyself, for it is given unto thee. But, remember that I forbid it, for in the day thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

Remember these commandments which we have given unto you. Now go to, dress this Garden, take good care of it, be happy and have joy therein. We shall go away, but we shall visit you again and give you further instructions.

*(Eve wanders behind some foliage. Lucifer is shown observing Adam, and is also wearing a square black apron tied to his waist.)*

Lucifer: Well Adam, you have a new world here.

Adam: A new world?

Lucifer: Yes, a new world, patterned after the old one where we used to live.

Adam: I know nothing about any other world.

Lucifer: Oh, I see, your eyes are not yet opened. You have forgotten everything. You must eat some of the fruit of that tree.

*(Lucifer picks two pieces of fruit from the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil and presents them to Adam.)*

Adam, here is some of the fruit of this tree. It will make you wise.

Adam: I will not partake of that fruit. Father told me that in the day I should partake of it I should surely die.

Lucifer: You shall not surely die, but shall be as the Gods, knowing good and evil.

Adam: I will not partake of it.

Lucifer: Oh, you will not? Well, we shall see.

*(Adam now wanders off behind some foliage and Eve reenters.)*

Eve, here is some of the fruit of that tree. It will make you wise. It is delicious to the taste and very desirable.

Eve: Who are you?

Lucifer: I am your brother.

Eve: You, my brother, and come here to persuade me to disobey Father?

Lucifer: I have said nothing about Father. I want you to eat of the fruit of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, that your eyes may be opened, for that is the way Father



gained His knowledge. You must eat of this fruit so as to comprehend that everything has its opposite: good and evil, virtue and vice, light and darkness, health and sickness, pleasure and pain; thus your eyes will be opened and you will have . . . knowledge.

Eve: Is there no other way?

Lucifer: There is no other way.

Eve: Then I will partake.

*(Eve receives the fruit from Lucifer, and bites it. Lucifer grins, and places the other piece in her hand, which he closes around it and gently pats her hand.)*

Lucifer: That is right. Now go and get Adam to partake.

*(Adam reenters and Eve approaches Adam, fruit in hand, and presents it to him with a persuasive tone of voice.)*

Eve: Adam, here is some of the fruit of that tree. It is delicious to the taste and very desirable.

Adam: Eve, do you know what fruit that is?

Eve: Yes, it is the fruit of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil.

Adam: I cannot partake of it. Do you not know that Father commanded us not to partake of the fruit of that tree?

Eve: Do you intend to obey all of Father's commandments?

Adam: Yes, all of them.

Eve: Do you not recollect that Father commanded us to multiply and replenish the earth? I have partaken of this fruit and by so doing shall be cast out, and you will be left a lone man in the Garden of Eden.

Adam: Eve, I see that this must be so. I will partake that man may be.

*(Adam takes a bite, and Lucifer walks to their side with a look of approval.)*

Lucifer: That is right.

Eve: It is better for us to pass through sorrow that we may know the good from the evil.  
I know thee now. Thou art Lucifer, he who was cast out of Father's presence for rebellion.

Lucifer: Yes, you are beginning to see already.

Adam: What is that apron you have on?

Lucifer: It is an emblem of my power and priesthoods.

Adam: Priesthoods?

Lucifer: Yes, Priesthoods.

Adam: I am looking for Father to come down to give us further instructions.

Lucifer: Oh, you are looking for Father to come down, are you?

*(The voices of Eloheim and Jehovah can be heard in the Garden of Eden.)*

Eloheim: Jehovah, we promised Adam that we would visit him and give him further instructions. Come, let us go down.

Jehovah: We will go down, Eloheim.

Adam: I hear their voices, they are coming.

Lucifer: See, you are naked. Take some fig leaves and make you aprons. Father will see your nakedness. Quick! Hide!

Adam: Come, let us hide.

Narrator: Brethren and sisters, put on your aprons.

*(Patrons tie their aprons around their waists. Eloheim and Jehovah enter.)*

Eloheim: Adam. ---- Adam! ---- Adam!! Where art thou?

Adam: I heard thy voice and hid myself, because I was naked.

Eloheim: Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou partaken of the fruit of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, of which we commanded thee not to partake?

Adam: The woman thou gavest me to be my companion and helpmeet, and commanded that she should remain with me, she gave me of the fruit of the tree, and I did eat.

Eloheim: Eve, what is this thou hast done?

Eve: The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

Eloheim: Lucifer, what hast thou been doing here?

Lucifer: I have been doing that which has been done in other worlds.

Eloheim: What is that?

Lucifer: I have been giving some of the fruit of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil to them.

Eloheim: Lucifer, because thou has done this, thou shalt be cursed above all the beasts of the field. Upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust thou shalt eat all the days of thy life.

Lucifer: If thou cursest me for doing the same thing which has been done in other worlds, I will take the spirits that follow me, and they shall possess the bodies thou createst for Adam and Eve.

Eloheim: I will place enmity between thee and the seed of the woman. Thou mayest have power to bruise his heel, but he shall have power to crush thy head.

Lucifer: Then with that enmity I will take the treasures of the earth, and with gold and silver I will buy up armies and navies, false priests who oppress, tyrants who destroy, and reign with blood and horror on this earth!

Eloheim: Depart!

*(Lucifer looks defiantly at Eloheim, then turns and walks away.)*

Eloheim: Jehovah, let cherubim and a flaming sword be placed to guard the way of the Tree of Life, lest Adam and Eve put forth their hands and partake of the fruit thereof, and live forever in their sins.

Jehovah: It shall be done, Eloheim.

*(Jehovah stretches His right arm toward the Tree of Life. Then, speaks...)*

Jehovah: Let cherubim and a flaming sword be placed to guard the way of the Tree of Life, lest Adam and Eve put forth their hands and partake of the fruit thereof, and live forever in their sins.

It is done, Eloheim.

Eloheim: Eve, because thou hast hearkened to the voice of Lucifer and hast partaken of the forbidden fruit, and given unto Adam, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow in thy conception: in sorrow shalt thou bring forth children. Nevertheless, thou mayest be preserved in child-bearing. Thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

Adam, because thou has hearkened to the voice of thy wife and hast partaken of the forbidden fruit, the earth shall be cursed for thy sake. Instead of producing fruits and flowers spontaneously, it shall bring forth thorns, thistles, briars, and noxious weeds to afflict and torment man. And by the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat thy bread all the days of thy life, for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

## The Law of Obedience

Eloheim: Eve, because thou wast the first to eat of the forbidden fruit, if you will covenant that from this time forth that you will obey the law of your husband and abide by his counsel, and, Adam, if you will covenant that from this time forth you will obey the Law of Eloheim, we will give unto you the Law of Obedience and Sacrifice, and we will provide a Savior for you, as we counseled in the beginning, whereby you may come back into our presence, and with us partake of Eternal Life and Exaltation.

*(Eve raises her right arm to the square and speaks...)*

Eve: Adam, I now covenant <sup>with you</sup> to obey your law and abide by your counsel.

*(Adam raises his right arm to the square and speaks...)*

Adam: Eloheim, I now covenant with thee that from this time forth I will obey thy law and keep thy commandments.

Eloheim: It is well, Adam.  
Jehovah, inasmuch as Adam and Eve have discovered their nakedness, make coats of skins as a covering for them.

Jehovah: It shall be done, Eloheim.

Narrator: Brethren and sisters, the garment that was placed upon you in the washing room is to cover your nakedness and represents the coat of skins spoken of. Anciently it was made of skins. You have received the garment, also your New Name. A couple will now come to the altar.

Brethren and sisters, this couple at the altar represent all of you as if at the altar. You must consider yourselves as if you were respectively Adam and Eve.

Eloheim: We will put the sisters under covenant to obey the law of their husbands.  
Sisters, arise.

Each of you bring your right arm to the square. You and each of you solemnly covenant and promise before God, angels, and these witnesses at this altar that you will each observe and keep the law of your husband, and abide by his counsel. Each of you bow your head and say "yes."

Women: Yes.

Eloheim: That will do.

Brethren, arise.  
Each of you bring your right arm to the square. You and each of you solemnly covenant and promise before God, angels, and these witnesses at this altar that you will obey the law of Eloheim, and keep His commandments. Each of you bow your head and say "yes."

Men: Yes

Eloheim: That will do.

## The Law of Sacrifice

Eloheim: Brethren and sisters, we will now put you under covenant to obey and keep the Law of Sacrifice, as contained in the Old and the New Testament. This Law of Sacrifice was given to Adam in the Garden of Eden, who, when he was driven out of the Garden, built an altar on which he offered sacrifices; and after many days, an angel of the Lord appeared unto Adam, saying: "Why dost thou offer sacrifices unto the Lord?" Adam said unto him: "I know not, save the Lord commanded me." And then the angel spake saying: "This thing is a similitude of the sacrifice of the Only Begotten of the Father, who is full of grace and truth. Wherefore, thou shalt do all that thou doest in the name of the Son, and thou shalt repent, and call upon God in the name of the Son forevermore."  
The posterity of Adam down to Moses, and from Moses to Jesus Christ offered up the first fruits of the field, and the firstlings of the flock, which continued until the

death of Jesus Christ, which ended sacrifice by the shedding of blood. And as Jesus Christ has laid down his life for the redemption of mankind, so we should covenant to sacrifice all that we possess, even our own lives if necessary, in sustaining and defending the Kingdom of God.

All arise.

Each of you bring your right arm to the square. You and each of you solemnly covenant and promise before God, angels, and these witnesses at this altar that you will observe and keep the Law of Sacrifice, as contained in the Old and the New Testament, as it has been explained to you. Each of you bow your head and say "yes."

Patrons: Yes.

Eloheim: That will do.

### First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood

Eloheim: We will now give unto you the First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood with its accompanying name, sign, and penalty. Before doing this, however, we desire to impress upon your minds the sacred character of the First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty, as well as that of all other tokens of the Holy Priesthood, with their names, signs and penalties, which you will receive in the Endowment House this day. They are most sacred, and are guarded by solemn covenants and obligations of secrecy to the effect that under no condition, even at the peril of your life, will you ever divulge them, except at a certain place that will be shown you hereafter. The representation of the execution of the penalties indicates different ways in which life may be taken.

The First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood is given by clasping the right hands and placing the joint of the thumb directly over the first knuckle of the hand, in this manner.

*(Eloheim, takes the right hand of the male witness at the altar, and demonstrates the token. The male witness, who remains kneeling, is obliged to raise his hand above his head while receiving the grip, thus enabling the patrons to view the manner in which the token is to be given.)*

Adam, we give unto you the First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood. We desire all to receive it.

All arise.

*(Witnesses return to their seats. The token is given to Adam and Adam gives to Eve. Adam administers the token to the brethren and Eve to the sisters. The witnesses also receive it at this time.)*

Eloheim: If any of you have not received this token, you will please raise your hand.

The name of this token is the New Name that you received in the Endowment House today. If any of you have forgotten the New Name, please stand.

The Sign of the First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood is made by bringing the right arm to the square, the palm of the hand to the front, the fingers close together, and the thumb extended. *(Eloheim demonstrates.)* This is the sign.

The Execution of the Penalty is represented by placing the thumb under the left ear, the palm of the hand down, and by drawing the thumb quickly across the throat to the right ear, and dropping the hand to the side. *(Eloheim demonstrates.)*

I will now explain the covenant and obligation of secrecy which are associated with this token, its name, sign and penalty, and which you will be required to take upon

yourselves.

If I were receiving my Endowment today, and had been given the name of "John" as my New Name, I would repeat in my mind these words, after making the sign, at the same time representing the execution of the penalty:

I, John, solemnly covenant that I will never reveal the First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty. Rather than do so, I would suffer my life to be taken. (*Eloheim demonstrates.*)

All arise.

Each of you make the Sign of the First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood, by bringing your right arm to the square, the palm of the hand to the front, the fingers close together, and the thumb extended. This is the sign. Now, repeat in your mind after me the words of the covenant, at the same time representing the execution of the penalty.

I \_\_\_\_\_, think of the New Name, solemnly covenant that I will never reveal the First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty. Rather than do so, I would suffer my life to be taken. (*Eloheim demonstrates.*)

That will do.

Jehovah, see that Adam is driven out of this beautiful Garden into the Lone and Dreary World, where he may learn from his own experience to distinguish good from evil.

Jehovah: It shall be done, Eloheim.

Narrator: The brethren will follow Adam and the sisters will follow Eve.

## Lone and Dreary World -- Telestial Kingdom

Narrator: Brethren and sisters, this room represents the Telestial Kingdom, or the world in which we now live. Adam on finding himself in the Lone and Dreary World, built an altar and offered prayer, and these are the words he uttered:

Adam: Oh God, hear the words of my mouth!  
Oh God, hear the words of my mouth!  
Oh God, hear the words of my mouth!

*(Lucifer, now without his apron on, and known as Satan approaches Adam.)*

Satan: I hear you; what is it you want?

Adam: Who are you?

Satan: I am the god of this world.

Adam: Who made you the God of this world?

Satan: I made myself the God of this world! What do you want?

Adam: I am looking for messengers.

Satan: Oh, you want someone to preach to you. You want religion, do you? I will have preachers here presently.

*(As the sectarian preacher enters...)*

Satan: Good morning sir!

Preacher: Good morning! A fine congregation!

Satan: Yes, they are very good people. They are concerned about religion. Are you a preacher?

Preacher: I am.

Satan: Have you been to college and received training for the ministry?

Preacher: Certainly! A man cannot preach unless he has been trained for the ministry.

Satan: Do you preach the orthodox religion?

Preacher: Yes, that is what I preach.

Satan: If you will preach your orthodox religion to these people, and convert them, I will pay you well.

Preacher: I will do my best.

Satan: Here is a man who desires religion. He is very much exercised, and seems to be sincere.



*(Satan steps back and observes the conversation between the Preacher and Adam.)*

Preacher: I understand you are inquiring after religion.

Adam: I was calling upon Father.

Preacher: I am glad to know that you were calling upon Father. Do you believe in a God who is without body, parts, and passions; who sits on the top of a topless throne; whose center is everywhere and whose circumference is nowhere; who fills the universe, and yet is so small that he can dwell in your heart; who is surrounded by myriads of beings who have been saved by grace, not for any act of theirs, but by His good pleasure? Do you believe in this great being?

Adam: I do not. I cannot comprehend such a being.

Preacher: That is the beauty of it. Perhaps you do not believe in the devil, and in that great hell, the bottomless pit, where there is a lake of fire and brimstone into which the wicked are cast, and where they are continually burning, but are never consumed?

Adam: I do not believe in any such place.

Preacher: My dear friend, I am sorry for you.

Satan: I am sorry; very, very sorry! What is it you want?

Adam: I am looking for messengers from my Father.

*(The Gods voices are now heard from above.)*

Eloheim: Jehovah, send down Peter, James and John to visit the man Adam in the Telestial World, without disclosing their identity. Have them observe conditions generally, see if Satan is there, and learn whether Adam has been true to the token and sign given to him in the Garden of Eden. Have them then return and report.

Jehovah: It shall be done Eloheim.

Peter, James and John, go down and visit the man Adam and his posterity in the Telestial World, without disclosing your true identity. Observe conditions generally. See if Satan is there, and learn whether Adam has been true and faithful to the token and sign given to him in the Garden of Eden. Then return and report.

Peter: It shall be done, Jehovah. Come James and John, let us go down.

James: We will go down.

John: We will go down.

*(Peter, James and John enter the Telestial World and hold conversation with Satan.)*

Peter: Good morning.

Satan: Good morning gentlemen.

Peter: What are you doing here?

Satan: Teaching religion.

Peter: What religion do you teach?

Satan: We teach a religion made of the philosophies of men, mingled with scripture.

Peter: How is your religion received by this congregation?

Satan: Very well, except this man. He does not seem to believe anything we preach.

*(Peter now approaches Adam and Eve.)*

Peter: Good morning. What do you think of the preaching of these gentlemen?

Adam: I cannot comprehend it.

Peter: Can you give us some idea concerning it?

Adam: They preach of a God who is without body, parts, or passions; who is so large that he fills the universe, and yet is so small that he can dwell in my heart; and of a hell, without a bottom, where the wicked are continually burning but are never consumed. To me, it is a mass of confusion.

Peter: We do not wonder that you cannot comprehend such doctrine. Have you any tokens or signs?

Satan: Do you have any money?

Peter: We have sufficient for our needs.

Satan: You can buy anything in this world for money.

Peter: *(To Adam.)* Do you sell your tokens or signs for money? You have them, I presume.

Adam: I have them, but I do not sell them for money. I hold them sacred. I am looking for the further light and knowledge Father promised to send to me.

Peter: That is right. We commend you for your integrity. Good day. We shall probably visit you again. *(Peter shakes Adam's hand.)*

*(Peter, James and John exit.)*

Satan: Now is the great day of my power. I reign from the rivers to the ends of the earth. There is none who dares to molest, or make afraid.

Preacher: Shall we ever have any apostles or prophets?

Satan: No. However, there may be some who will profess revelation or apostleship. If so, just test them by asking that they perform a great miracle, such as cutting off an arm or some other member of the body, and restoring it, so that the people may know that they have come with power.

*(The voice of Peter is heard reporting.)*

Peter: Jehovah, we have visited the man Adam in the Telestial World as thou didst command us. We found Satan there, with his ministers, preaching all manner of false doctrine, and striving to lead the posterity of Adam astray. But Adam has been true and faithful to the token and sign given him in the Garden of Eden, and is waiting for the further light and knowledge you promised to send him. This is our report.

Jehovah: It is well, Peter, James and John.

Eloheim -- Peter, James and John have been down to the man Adam in the Telestial World. They found Satan there with his ministers preaching all manner of false doctrine, and striving to lead the posterity of Adam astray. But Adam has been true and faithful to the token and sign given him in the Garden of Eden, and he is waiting for the further light and knowledge you promised to send him. This is their report.

Eloheim: It is well. Jehovah, instruct Peter, James and John to go down in their true character as Apostles of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the man Adam and his posterity in the Telestial World, and to cast Satan out of their midst. Instruct them to give unto Adam and his posterity the Law of the Gospel as contained in the Book of Mormon and the Bible; also a charge to avoid all lightmindedness, loud laughter, evil speaking of the Lord's anointed, the taking of the name of God in vain, and every other unholy and impure practice; and cause these to be received by covenant. Instruct Peter, James and John further to clothe Adam and his posterity in the Robes of the Holy Priesthood, with the robe on the left shoulder, and to give unto them the Second Token of the Aaronic Priesthood, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty. Then have them return and report.

Jehovah: It shall be done, Eloheim.

Peter, James and John, go down in your true character as Apostles of the Lord Jesus Christ to the man Adam and his posterity in the Telestial World. Cast Satan out of their midst. Give unto them the Law of the Gospel as contained in the Book of Mormon and the Bible; also a charge to avoid all lightmindedness, loud laughter, evil speaking of the Lord's anointed, the taking of the name of God in vain, and every other unholy and impure practice. Cause them to receive these by covenant. Clothe them in the Robes of the Holy Priesthood, with the Robe on the left shoulder, and give unto them the Second Token of the Aaronic Priesthood, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty. Then return and report.

Peter: It shall be done, Jehovah. Come James and John, let us go down.

James: We will go down.

John: We will go down.

*(Enter Peter, James and John.)*

Peter: I am Peter.

James: I am James.

John: I am John.

Satan: Yes, I thought I knew you.  
*(Satan turns to the Preacher.)*  
 Do you know who these men are? They claim to be apostles. Try them.

Preacher: Do you profess to be Apostles of the Lord Jesus Christ?

Peter: We do.

Preacher: This man told me that we should never have any revelation or apostles, but if any should come professing to be apostles, I was to ask them to cut off an arm or some other member of the body and then restore it, so that the people might know that they come with power.

Peter: We do not satisfy men's curiosity in that manner. It is a wicked and an adulterous generation that seeks for a sign. Do you know who that man is? He is Satan!

Preacher: What? The Devil?

Peter: That is one of his names.

Preacher: He is quite a different person from what he told me the devil is. He said the devil has a black skin, claws like a bear's on his hands, horns on his head, and cloven feet, and that when he speaks he has the roar of a lion!

Peter: He has said this to deceive you, and I would advise you to get out of his employ.

Preacher: Your advice is good; but, if I leave his employ, what will become of me?

Peter: We will preach the gospel unto you, with the rest of Adam's posterity.

Preacher: That is good. *(He turns to speak to Satan...)*  
 I would like to have a settlement. I want you to pay me for preaching.

Satan: I am ready to keep my word and fulfill my part of the agreement. I promised to pay you if you would convert these people, and they have nearly converted you! You can get out of my kingdom, I want no such men in it!  
*(The Preacher leaves and Satan approaches Peter.)*  
 Now, what are you going to do?

Peter: We will dismiss you without further argument.

Satan: Aah! You have looked over my kingdom, and my greatness and glory. Now you want to take possession of the whole of it.  
*(Satan turns to the congregation and says...)*  
 I have a word to say concerning these people. If they do not walk up to every covenant they make at these altars in this Endowment House this day, they will be in my power!

Peter: Satan, we command you to depart!

Satan: By what authority?

*(Peter with right arm to the square giving the First Sign of the Aaronic Priesthood says...)*

Peter: In the name of Jesus Christ, our Master.  
*(Satan, shaken, leaves. Peter waits until Satan leaves and then approaches Adam and says...)*  
 Adam, we are true messengers from the Father, and have come down to give unto you the further light and knowledge He promised to send you.

Adam: How shall I know that you are true messengers?

Peter: By our giving unto you the token and sign you received in the Garden of Eden.  
*(Adam grasps Peter by the right hand in the First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood and says...)*

Adam: What is that?

Peter: The First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood.

Adam: Has it a name?

Peter: It has.

Adam: Will you give it to me?

Peter: I cannot, for it is the New Name, but this is the sign; and this represents the Execution of the Penalty.

Adam: Now I know that you are true messengers sent down from Father.  
*(Adam turns to his posterity, the congregation and says...)*  
 Brethren and sisters, these are true messengers from Father, I exhort you to give strict heed to their counsel and teachings, and they will lead you in the way of life and salvation.

## The Law of the Gospel

Peter: A couple will now come to the altar.  
 Brethren and sisters, this couple at the altar represent all of you as if at the altar, and you will be under the same obligations as they will be. We are required to give unto you the Law of the Gospel as contained in the Book of Mormon and the Bible; to give unto you also a charge to avoid all lightmindedness, loud laughter, evil speaking of the Lord's anointed, the taking of the name of God in vain, and every other unholy and impure practice, and to cause you to receive these by covenant.  
 All arise.  
 Each of you bring your right arm to the square.  
 You and each of you solemnly covenant and promise before God, angels, and these witnesses at this altar, that you will observe and keep the Law of the Gospel and this charge as it has been explained to you. Each of you bow your head and say "yes."

Patrons: Yes

Peter: That will do.

## The Robes of the Holy Priesthood

Peter: We are instructed to clothe you in the Robes of the Holy Priesthood. Place the Robe on your left shoulder. Place the cap on your head with the bow over the right ear, replace the apron, tie the girdle with the bow on the right side, remove the moccasins from your feet, and put them on again as part of the temple clothing. You may now proceed to clothe.

*(Patrons clothe in the Robes of the Holy Priesthood.)*

## Second Token of the Aaronic Priesthood

Peter: A couple will now come to the altar.

With the Robe on the left shoulder, you are prepared to officiate in the ordinances of the Aaronic Priesthood. We will now give unto you the Second Token of the Aaronic Priesthood with its accompanying name, sign and penalty. This token is given by clasping the right hands and placing the joint of the thumb between the first and second knuckles of the hand, in this manner.

*(Peter and the male witness demonstrate as they did before.)*

Adam, we give unto you the Second Token of the Aaronic Priesthood. We desire all to receive it.

All arise.

*(Witnesses return to their seats. The token is given to Adam and Adam gives it to Eve. Adam administers the token to the brethren and Eve to the Sisters. The witnesses also receive it at this time.)*

If any of you have not received this token, please raise your hand.

The name of this token is your own first given name.

The sign is made by bringing the right hand in front of you, with the hand in cupping shape, the right arm forming a square, and the left arm being raised to the square. *(Peter demonstrates.)* This is the sign.

The Execution of the Penalty is represented by placing the right hand on the left breast, drawing the hand quickly across the body, and dropping the hands to the sides. *(Peter demonstrates.)*

I will now explain the covenant and obligation of secrecy which are associated with this token, its name, sign and penalty, and which you will be required to take upon yourselves.

If I were receiving my endowment today, and if my first given name were "David," I would repeat in my mind these words, after making the sign, at the same time representing the Execution of the Penalty:

I, David, solemnly covenant that I will never reveal the Second Token of the Aaronic Priesthood, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty. Rather than do so, I would suffer my life to be taken. *(Peter demonstrates.)*

All arise.

Each of you make the Sign of the Second Token of the Aaronic Priesthood by bringing the right hand in front of you, with the hand in cupping shape, the right arm forming a square, and the left arm being raised to the square. *(Peter demonstrates.)* This is the sign.

Now, repeat in your mind after me the words of the covenant, at the same time representing the Execution of the Penalty.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, think of the first given name, solemnly covenant that I will never reveal the Second Token of the Aaronic Priesthood, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty. Rather than do so, I would suffer my life to be taken.



That will do.

Peter: We will return and report.

*(Peter, James and John leave and their report is heard from above .)*

Jehovah, we have been down to the man Adam and his posterity in the Telestial World, and have cast Satan out of their midst. We have given unto them the Law of the Gospel as contained in the Book of Mormon and the Bible; also a charge to avoid all lightmindedness, loud laughter, evil speaking of the Lord's anointed, the taking of the name of God in vain, and every other unholy and impure practice, and have caused them to receive these by covenant. We have also clothed them in the Robes of the Holy Priesthood and have given unto them the Second Token of the Aaronic Priesthood, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty. This is our report.

Jehovah: It is well, Peter, James and John.

Eloheim -- Peter, James and John have been down to the man Adam and his posterity in the Telestial World, have cast Satan out of their midst, and have done all else that they were commanded to do.

Eloheim: It is well. Jehovah, send down Peter, James, and John again to the Telestial World. Have Adam and his posterity change their Robes to the right shoulder, preparatory to officiating in the ordinances of the Melchizedek Priesthood; and introduce them into the Terrestrial World. Instruct Peter, James and John further, to give unto Adam and his posterity the Law of Chastity, and to put them under covenant to obey this law, which is, to the daughters of Eve, that no one of them will have sexual intercourse with any of the opposite sex save their lawful husband, to whom they are given by the Holy Priesthood, and to the sons of Adam, that no one of them will have sexual intercourse with any of the opposite sex except their lawful wife or wives who are given them by the Holy Priesthood. Also, give unto them the First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, or Sign of the Nail, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty. Have them return and report.

Jehovah: It shall be done, Eloheim.

Peter, James and John, go down again to the Telestial World; instruct Adam and his posterity to change their Robes to the right shoulder, preparatory to officiating in the ordinances of the Melchizedek Priesthood; and introduce them into the Terrestrial World. Give unto Adam and his posterity the Law of Chastity, and put them under covenant to obey this law, which is, to the daughters of Eve, that no one of them will have sexual intercourse with any of the opposite sex save their lawful husband, to whom they are given by the Holy Priesthood, and to the sons of Adam, that no one of them will have sexual intercourse with any of the opposite sex except their lawful wife or wives who are given them by the Holy Priesthood. Also, give unto them the First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, or Sign of the Nail, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty; then return and report.

Peter: It shall be done, Jehovah. Come James and John, let us go down.

James: We will go down.

John: We will go down.

*(Peter, James and John enter the Telestial World.)*

Peter: We have been instructed to have you remove the Robe and change it to the right shoulder, preparatory to officiating in the ordinances of the Melchizedek Priesthood, and



to introduce you into the Terrestrial World. You may now make the change by removing the robe.

*(The robes having been changed, Peter then says..)*

The brethren will follow Adam and the sisters will follow Eve.

# The Terrestrial World

## Law of Chastity

Peter: A couple will now come to the altar.  
We are instructed to give unto you the Law of Chastity; this I will explain.  
To the sisters it is, that no one of you will have sexual intercourse with any of the opposite sex save your lawful husband, to whom you are given by the Holy Priesthood.  
To the brethren it is, that no one of you will have sexual intercourse with any of the opposite sex except your lawful wife or wives who are given you by the Holy Priesthood.

Sisters, please arise.  
Each of you bring your right arm to the square. You and each of you solemnly covenant and promise before God, angels, and these witnesses at this altar that you will observe and keep the Law of Chastity, as it has been explained to you. Each of you bow your head and say "yes."

Sisters: Yes.

Peter: That will do.  
Brethren, arise.  
Each of you bring your right arm to the square. You and each of you solemnly covenant and promise before God, angels, and these witnesses at this altar that you will observe and keep the Law of Chastity, as it has been explained to you. Each of you bow your head and say "yes."

Brethren: Yes.

Peter: That will do.

## First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood or Sign of the Nail

Peter: We will now give unto you the First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood or Sign of the Nail, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty. This token is received by bringing the right hand into this position: the hand is vertical, the fingers close together, and the thumb extended; and the person giving the token placing the tip of the forefinger of his right hand in the center of the palm, and the thumb opposite on the back of the hand of the one receiving it, in this manner. *(Peter and the male witness demonstrate as they did before.)* Adam, we give unto you the First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood or Sign of the Nail. We desire all to receive it.

All arise.

*(Witnesses return to their seats. The token is given to Adam and Adam gives it to Eve. Adam administers the token to the brethren and Eve to the Sisters. The witnesses also receive it at this time.)*

If any of you have not received this token, you will please raise your hand. The name of this token is "the Son," meaning the Son of God.

The sign is made by bringing the left hand in front of you with the hand in cupping shape, the left arm forming a square; the right hand is also brought forward, the palm down, the fingers close together, the thumb extended, and the thumb is placed over the left hip. *(Peter demonstrates.)* This is the sign.

The Execution of the Penalty is represented by drawing the thumb quickly across the body and dropping the hands to the sides. (*Peter demonstrates.*)

I will now explain the covenant and obligation of secrecy which are associated with this token, its name, sign and penalty, and which you will be required to take upon yourselves. If I were receiving the Endowment today, I would repeat in my mind these words, after making the sign, at the same time representing the Execution of the Penalty:

I solemnly covenant, in the name of the Son, that I will never reveal the First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood or Sign of the Nail, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty. Rather than do so, I would suffer my life to be taken. (*Peter demonstrates.*)

All arise.

Each of you make the sign of the First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood or Sign of the Nail by bringing the left hand in front of you with the hand in cupping shape, the left arm forming a square; also by bringing the right hand forward, the palm down, the fingers close together, the thumb extended, and by placing the thumb over the left hip. (*Peter demonstrates.*) This is the sign.

Now repeat in your mind after me the words of the covenant, at the same time representing the Execution of the Penalty:

I solemnly covenant, in the name of the Son, that I will never reveal the First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood or Sign of the Nail, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty. Rather than do so, I would suffer my life to be taken.

That will do.

We will return and report.

(*Peter, James and John leave and their report is heard from above .*)

Peter: Jehovah, we have been down to the man Adam and his posterity, have placed the Robe on the right shoulder and have introduced them into the Terrestrial World, We have put them under covenant to observe and keep the Law of Chastity. We have also given them the First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood or Sign of the Nail, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty. This is our report.

Jehovah: It is well, Peter, James and John.  
Eloheim -- Peter, James and John have been down to the man Adam and his posterity, have placed the Robe on the right shoulder, and have introduced them into the Terrestrial World. They have also put them under covenant to observe and keep the Law of Chastity. They have given unto them the First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood or Sign of the Nail, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty. This is their report.

Eloheim: It is well.  
Jehovah, send down Peter, James and John and instruct them to give to the man Adam and his posterity in the Terrestrial World the Law of Consecration, as contained in the book of Doctrine and Covenants, in connection with the Law of the Gospel and the Law of Sacrifice, and to cause them to receive it by covenant; to give unto them the Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail, with its accompanying sign, have them give them the Oath of Vengeance, and to teach them the True Order of Prayer, and to prepare them in all things to receive further instructions at the Veil. Then have them report at the Veil.

Jehovah: It shall be done, Eloheim.  
Peter, James and John, go down to the man Adam and his posterity in the Terrestrial World, and give unto them the Law of Consecration, as contained in the book of Doctrine and Covenants, in connection with the Law of the Gospel and the Law of Sacrifice, and cause them to receive it by covenant. Give unto them the Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail, with its

accompanying sign. Have them take the Oath of Vengeance. Teach them the True Order of Prayer and prepare them in all things to receive further instructions at the veil. Then report at the Veil.

Peter: It shall be done, Jehovah. Come, James and John, let us go down.

James: We will go down.

John: We will go down.

*(Peter, James and John enter the Terrestrial World.)*

## The Law of Consecration

Peter: A couple will now come to the altar.

We are instructed to give unto you the Law of Consecration as contained in the book of Doctrine and Covenants *(Peter holds up a copy of the D & C for all to see.)*, in connection with the Law of the Gospel and the Law of Sacrifice which you have already received. It is that you do consecrate yourselves, your time, talents, and everything with which the Lord has blessed you, or which He may bless you, for the building up of the kingdom of God on the earth and for the establishment of Zion.

All arise.

Each of you bring your right arm to the square.

You and each of you covenant and promise before God, angels, and these witnesses at this altar, that you do accept the Law of Consecration as contained in this *(Again Peter holds up a copy of the D & C for all to see.)*, the book of Doctrine and Covenants, in that you do consecrate yourselves, your time, talents, and everything with which the Lord has blessed you, or with which He may bless you, for the building up of the Kingdom of God on the earth and for the establishment of Zion.

Each of you bow your head and say "yes."

Patrons: Yes.

Peter: That will do.

## Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail

Peter: We will now give unto you the Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail, with its accompanying sign. This token has reference to the crucifixion of the Savior. When He was placed upon the cross, the crucifiers drove nails through the palms of His hands, then fearing that the weight of his body would cause the nails to tear through the flesh of the hands, they drove nails through His wrists. Hence, in the palm is the Sign of the Nail, and in the wrist, is the Sure Sign of the Nail, or the Nail in the Sure place.

This token is given by clasping the right hands, interlocking the little fingers, and placing the tip of the forefinger upon the center of the wrist, in this manner. *(Peter and the male witness demonstrate.)*

Adam, we give unto you the Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail. We desire all to receive it. All Arise.

*(Witnesses return to their seats. The token is given to Adam and Adam gives it*

to Eve. Adam administers the token to the brethren and Eve to the Sisters. The witnesses also receive it at this time.)

If any of you have not received this token, you will please raise your hand.

This token has a name and a sign, but no penalty is mentioned. However, you will be under just as sacred obligation of secrecy in connection with this token and sign as you are with the other tokens and signs of the Holy Priesthood which you have received in the Endowment House this day. The name of this token will not be given unto you at this stage in the Endowment, but it will be given later on.

The sign is made by raising both hands high above the head (*Peter demonstrates.*), and while lowering the hands repeating aloud the words:

Pay Lay Ale.

Pay Lay Ale.

Pay Lay Ale.

When Adam was driven out of the Garden of Eden, he built an altar and offered prayer, and these are the words that he used, which interpreted are: "Oh God, hear the words of my mouth!," repeated three times.

All arise.

Each of you make the Sign of the Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail, by raising both hands high above the head, and while lowering the hands repeating aloud the words:

Pay Lay Ale.

Pay Lay Ale.

Pay Lay Ale.

That will do.

## The Oath of Vengeance

Peter: We are instructed to have you take the Oath of Vengeance, which is, that you do solemnly promise and vow that you will pray, and never cease to pray, and never cease to importune high heaven to avenge the blood of the prophets on this nation, and that you will teach this to your children.

All arise.

Each of you bring your right arm to the square.

You and each of you do solemnly promise and vow that you will pray, and never cease to pray, and never cease to importune high heaven to avenge the blood of the prophets on this nation, and that you will teach this to your children.

Each of you bow your head and say "yes."

Patrons: Yes.

Peter: That will do.

Brethren and sisters, with the Robe on the right shoulder you are prepared to be taught the True Order of Prayer, and to be introduced at the Veil.

## The Prayer Circle and the True Order of Prayer

Peter: A few couples will please come forward and form a circle around the altar. We would like to invite the witness couple to take their place at the head of the altar, and an

equal number brothers and sisters to join us in the Circle, especially those who are about to be married.

*(Sisters on the left of the brethren.)*

John will instruct and lead in the Prayer Circle.

John: Only the best of feelings should exist in the Circle. If any of you have unkind feelings toward any member of this Circle, you are invited to withdraw so that the Spirit of the Lord may be unrestrained.

In the Circle we make the signs of all the Tokens of the Holy Priesthood.

*(Participants make each sign as they are led by John.)*

We will begin by making the Sign of the First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood. This is done by bringing the right arm to the square, the palm of the hand to the front, the fingers close together, and the thumb extended. This is the sign. The name of this Token is the New Name received in the Endowment House today. The Execution of the Penalty is represented by placing the thumb under the left ear, the palm of the hand down, and by drawing the thumb quickly across the throat to the right ear, and dropping the hand to the side.

We will now make the Sign of the Second Token of the Aaronic Priesthood. This is done by bringing the right hand in front of you with the hand in cupping shape, the right arm forming a square, and the left arm being raised to the square. This is the sign. The name of this Token is your first given name. The Execution of the Penalty is represented by placing the right hand on the left breast, drawing the hand quickly across the body, and dropping the hands to the sides.

We will now make the Sign of the First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood or Sign of the Nail. This is done by bringing the left hand in front of you with the hand in cupping shape, the left arm forming a square. The right hand is also brought forward, the palm down, the fingers close together, the thumb extended, and the thumb is placed over the left hip. This is the sign. The name of this Token is "the Son," meaning the Son of God. The Execution of the Penalty is represented by drawing the thumb quickly across the body, and dropping the hands to the sides.

We will now make the Sign of the Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail. This is done by raising both hands high above the head, and while lowering the hands repeating aloud the words:

Pay Lay Ale.

Pay Lay Ale.

Pay Lay Ale.

Signifying, "Oh God, hear the words of my mouth!"

We have here a list of names of persons who are sick, or otherwise afflicted, whom we are requested to remember in our prayer. We will place the list upon the altar, and request the faith of those present in behalf of these persons.

The sisters in the room will please veil their faces. Each brother in the Circle will take the sister at his left, by the right hand in the Patriarchal Grip. Each of you bring your left arm to the square, and rest it upon the shoulder or arm of the person at your left. The brethren and sisters in the Circle will repeat the words of the prayer.

*(John kneels at the altar, makes the Second Sign of the Aaronic Priesthood, speaks a sentence at a time and the participants repeat after him. After the prayer, the participants in the Circle release the grip, John rises, and Peter takes over.)*

Peter: The sisters will unveil their faces, and the brethren and sisters in the Circle will return to their seats.

We will now uncover the Veil.



## The Veil of the Endowment House

Peter: Brethren and sisters, this is the Veil of the Endowment House.

These four marks are the marks of the Holy Priesthood, and corresponding marks are found in your individual Garment.

This one on the right is the **mark of the square**. It is placed in the Garment over the right breast, suggesting to the mind exactness and honor in keeping the covenants entered into this day.

This one on the left is the **mark of the compass**. It is placed in the Garment over the left breast, suggesting to the mind an undeviating course leading to Eternal Life, a constant reminder that desires, appetites and passions are to be kept within the bounds the Lord has set, and that all truth may be circumscribed into one great whole.

This is the **navel mark**. It is placed in the Garment over the navel, suggesting to the mind the need of constant nourishment to body and spirit.

This is the **knee mark**. It is placed in the right leg of the Garment, so as to be over the knee cap, suggesting that every knee shall bow, and every tongue confess that Jesus is the Christ.

These other three marks are for convenience in working at the Veil. Through this one, the person representing the Lord puts forth his right hand, to test our knowledge of the tokens of the Holy Priesthood. Through the one on our right, he asks us certain questions, through the one on the left, we give our answers.

As all of you will have to pass through the Veil, we will show you how this is to be done. The person is brought to this point, and the worker gives three distinct taps with the mallet. (*Peter raps the mallet three times.*) Whereupon, the Lord parts the Veil, and asks:

Lord: What is wanted?

Peter: Adam, having been true and faithful in all things, desires further light and knowledge, by conversing with the Lord, through the Veil.

Lord: Present him at the Veil, and his request shall be granted.

Peter: The person is then brought to this point, whereupon the Lord puts forth his right hand, gives the First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood, and asks:

Lord: What is that?

Peter: The First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood.

Lord: Has it a name?

Peter: It has.

Lord: Will you give it to me?

Peter: I will, through the Veil.



The person then gives, through the Veil, the name of this Token, which is the New Name received in the Endowment House today. The Lord then gives the Second Token of the Aaronic Priesthood, and asks:

Lord: What is that?  
Peter: The Second Token of the Aaronic Priesthood.  
Lord: Has it a name?  
Peter: It has.  
Lord: Will you give it to me?  
Peter: I will through the Veil.

The person gives the name of this Token, which is his first given name. The Lord then gives the First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, or Sign of the Nail, and asks:

Lord: What is that?  
Peter: The First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, or Sign of the Nail.  
Lord: Has it a name?  
Peter: It has.  
Lord: Will you give it to me?  
Peter: I will, through the veil.

The person then gives the name of this Token, which is "the Son," meaning, the Son of God. The Lord then gives the Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail, and asks:

Lord: What is that?  
Peter: The Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail.  
Lord: Has it a name?  
Peter: It has.  
Lord: Will you give it to me?  
Peter: I cannot. I have not yet received it. For this purpose I have come to converse with the Lord through the Veil.  
Lord: You shall receive it upon the Five Points of Fellowship through the Veil.

*(Peter and the Lord demonstrate.)*

Peter: The Five Points of Fellowship are "inside of right foot by the side of right foot, knee to knee, breast to breast, hand to back, and mouth to ear." The Lord then gives the name of this Token, and asks:

Lord: What is that?

Peter: The Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail.

Lord: Has it a name?

Peter: It has.

Lord: Will you give it to me?

Peter: I will, upon the Five Points of Fellowship through the Veil.

Peter: The person then repeats back to the Lord the name of this Token, as he received it, whereupon the Lord says:

Lord: That is correct.

Peter: The person is again brought to this point, and the worker gives three distinct taps with the mallet. The Lord parts the Veil and asks:

Lord: What is wanted?

Peter: Adam, having conversed with the Lord through the Veil desires now to enter His presence.

The Lord puts forth His right hand, takes the person by the right hand and says:

Lord: Let him enter.

Peter: He is admitted into the presence of the Lord.

We will now report.

*(Peter, James and John leave and their report is heard from above .)*

Peter: Jehovah, we have been down to the man Adam and his posterity in the Terrestrial World, and have given unto them the Law of Consecration, and have caused them to receive it by covenant. We have given unto them the Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail, with its accompanying sign. We have given them the Oath of Vengeance and have taught them the True Order of Prayer. They are now ready to converse with the Lord through the Veil. This is our report.

Jehovah: It is well Peter, James and John.

Eloheim -- Peter, James and John have been down to the man Adam and his posterity in the Terrestrial World, and have done all that they were commanded to do.

Eloheim: It is well.

Jehovah, instruct Peter, James and John to introduce the man Adam and his posterity at the Veil, where we will give unto them the name of the Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail, preparatory to

their entering into our presence.

Jehovah: It shall be done, Eloheim.

Peter, James and John, you will introduce Adam and his posterity at the Veil, where we will give unto them the name of the Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail, preparatory to their entering into our presence.

Peter: It shall be done, Jehovah. Come James and John, we will introduce them at the Veil.

*(Peter, James and John enter the Terrestrial World.)*

Brethren and sisters, we are instructed to introduce you at the Veil, where you will receive the name of the Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail, preparatory to your entering into the presence of the Lord.

However, before we do, a lecture will now be given which summarizes the instructions, ordinances and covenants, and also the Tokens, with their key words, signs and penalties, pertaining to the Endowment, which you, have thusfar received. You should try to remember and keep in mind all that you have heard and seen and may yet hear and see in this sacred House. The purpose of this lecture is to assist you to remember that which has been taught you this day.

You must keep in mind that you are under a solemn obligation never to speak outside of the Endowment House of the sacred things you have covenanted not to reveal. This lecture will now be given by James.

## The Lecture at the Veil

James: Brethren and sisters, the ordinances of the Endowment as here administered, long withheld from the children of men, pertain to the Dispensation of the Fullness of Time and have been revealed to prepare the people for exaltation in the Celestial Kingdom, where the Gods dwell. The deep meaning of the Eternal Truths constituting the Endowment, have been set forth by instruction and symbolic representation. If you will use the Keys herein given in prayerful and earnest thought about the Endowment, you will obtain understanding from on high.

You were first washed; brethren, that you may become clean from the blood and sins of this generation, and sisters, you were pronounced clean from the blood and sins of this generation. You were then anointed; brethren, to become Kings and Priests unto the Most High God, and sisters, to become Queens and Priestesses to your husbands. A Garment was placed upon you, and a New Name was given you. This Name you should always remember; but you must never reveal it to any person, except at the Veil.

You then entered the Creation Room. Here you heard voices of persons representing a council of the Gods, Eloheim, Jehovah, and Michael. Eloheim said: "See, yonder is matter unorganized, go ye down and organize it into a world, like unto the other worlds that we have heretofore formed." As the creation of the earth progressed, you heard the commands and the reports of the persons representing the Gods.

Adam was made just the same way you and I are made, but on another earth. He was an immortal being when he came on this earth; he had lived on an earth similar to ours; he had received the Holy Priesthood and the keys thereof, and had been faithful in all things and gained his resurrection and his exaltation, and was crowned with glory, immortality and eternal lives, and was numbered with the Gods for such he became through his faithfulness, and he had begotten all the spirits that were to come to this earth. Eve, our common mother, is the mother of all living and bore all those spirits in the Celestial world. When this earth was organized by Eloheim, Jehovah and Michael, who is our common father, Adam, and Eve his companion and helpmeet, had the privilege to continue the work of progression. They came to this earth to commence the great work of forming tabernacles for those spirits to dwell in. When they were placed here they were immortal beings with flesh, bones and sinews. Upon partaking of the fruits of the earth while in the Garden and cultivating the ground their bodies became changed from immortal to mortal beings with blood coursing through their veins as the action of life.

We were once acquainted with the Gods and lived with them, but we had the privilege of taking upon us flesh that the spirit might have a house to dwell in. We did so and forgot all, and came into this world not recollecting anything of which we had previously learned. If we are faithful, we shall enter the Celestial Kingdom, and there hear and know the Gods. They are perfect, we are imperfect. They are exalted, we may attain exaltation.

And so Michael was one of the council of the Gods who became the man Adam, to whom was given the woman Eve. He did not remember his life and labors in the council and it is so with us all. We come into this world with no memory of our previous existence.

We followed Adam and Eve into the Garden of Eden, where Eloheim provided that they might eat freely of all the fruit of the Garden, except the fruit of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. He forbade them to partake of this fruit, saying that in the day they did so, they should surely die. When Adam and Eve were left alone in the Garden, Lucifer appeared, and tempted them. Eve yielded to the temptation, partook of the fruit, and offered it to Adam. Adam had resisted the temptation of Lucifer, but when Eve offered him the forbidden fruit he partook of it, that they might continue together,

and perpetuate the human race. Adam and Eve now understood that it was Lucifer who had tempted them. They became self conscious. Discovering their nakedness or lack of glory, and hearing the voice of the Lord, they made aprons of fig leaves and hid themselves. They had learned that everything has its opposite, such as good and evil, light and darkness, pleasure and pain. The Lord again entered the Garden, Adam and Eve confessed their disobedience. The Lord cursed Lucifer, and cast him out of the Garden of Eden. Adam and Eve also were driven out of the Garden, and the Lord commanded: "Let cherubim, and a flaming sword be placed to guard the way of the Tree of Life, lest Adam put forth his hand, and partake of the fruit thereof, and live forever in his sins."

Before their departure, however, instructions were given them. Addressing Eve, the Lord said: "Because thou has hearkened to the voice of Lucifer, and hast partaken of the forbidden fruit, and given unto Adam, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow in thy conception. In sorrow shalt thou bring forth children, nevertheless, thou mayest be preserved in childbearing. Thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee." To Adam, the Lord said: "Because thou has hearkened to the voice of thy wife, and hast partaken of the forbidden fruit, the earth shall be cursed for thy sake. Instead of producing fruits and flowers spontaneously, it shall bring forth thorns, thistles, briars, and noxious weeds, to afflict and torment man. And by the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat thy bread all the days of thy life, for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return."

Having been commanded, Jehovah provided Adam and Eve with coats of skins for a covering. The Garment which was placed upon you after you had been washed and anointed, represents the coat of skins or covering of Adam and Eve. You were told to wear it throughout your life, and if you do not defile it, but are true and faithful to your covenants, it will be a shield and a protection to you against the power of the destroyer until you have finished your work here on earth. Adam and Eve were also promised that further light and knowledge would be given them.

The Law of Obedience was then taught Adam and Eve, and accepted by them. Eve covenanted with Adam that thenceforth she would obey the law of her husband, and abide by his council; and Adam covenanted with Eloheim that he would obey Him, and keep His commandments. You, likewise, covenanted to comply with the Law of Obedience. The Law of Sacrifice, accompanying the Law of Obedience, as contained in the Old and the New Testaments of the Bible, was next presented to Adam; and you were all placed under covenant to observe it. The Law of Obedience and Sacrifice includes the promise of a Savior; Adam's oldest son is Jesus Christ, the heir of the family. Christ is Adam's first begotten in the spirit world, who according to the flesh is the only begotten as it is written. We might note by way of instruction that when Adam and Eve finished their work in this earth, they did not lay their bodies down in the dust, but returned to the world from whence they came. And, Father Adam, in His divinity came to Mary and she conceived the Christ child. You have learned that all things should be done in the name of the Son. An angel of the Lord explained this to Adam, who was given the privilege of showing his Obedience by offering sacrifices to the Lord, in similitude of the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. Later, the people of Israel lived under this law, which continued in force until the atonement of Jesus Christ.

The First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty was given you; and you were told that the name of this Token is your New Name received in the Endowment House today. The sacred nature of the Tokens of the Priesthood was carefully explained at this time. You were placed under solemn covenant never to reveal these Tokens, with their accompanying names, signs and penalties, even at the peril of your life. You were told that the Execution of the Penalties indicate different ways in which life may be taken; then, Adam and Eve were driven out of the Garden into the Telestial Kingdom, or the Lone and Dreary World, the world in which we are now living. There, Adam offered prayer saying: "Oh God, hear the words of my mouth!," repeating it three times. Satan entered, and claiming to be the god of this



world, asked Adam what he desired. Adam replied that he was waiting for messengers from his Father. Satan declared that a preacher would soon arrive. A man representing a sectarian minister entered and preached a false religion which Adam did not accept.

Peter, James and John were sent down by the Lord, to learn, without disclosing their identity, if the man Adam had been faithful to his covenants. They found that he had been faithful and so reported. They were sent down again, this time in their true character as Apostles of the Lord Jesus Christ, to visit and to instruct Adam and his posterity in the Telestial World. Before so teaching the people, using the First Sign of the Aaronic Priesthood and by authority, they cast Satan out. The Law of the Gospel, as contained in the Book of Mormon and the Bible was then given Adam and his posterity. You were placed under covenant to obey the Law of the Gospel, and to avoid all lightmindedness, loud laughter, evil speaking of the Lord's anointed, and taking the name of the Lord in vain. The Robe of the Holy Priesthood was placed upon your left shoulder, according to the order of the Aaronic Priesthood. The Second Token of the Aaronic Priesthood was given you, with its name, sign and penalty; and you were informed that the name of this Token is your first given name. The Robe of the Holy Priesthood was then changed to the right shoulder, as was done anciently, when officiating in the ordinances of the Melchizedek Priesthood. With the Robe on the right shoulder, you have authority also if called to the Bishopric, to act in the Aaronic Priesthood. You were then introduced with the Robe of the Holy Priesthood on the right shoulder into the Terrestrial Kingdom. The Law of Chastity was there explained to you in plainness, and you were placed under covenant to obey this law. The First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, or Sign of the Nail, with its accompanying name, sign and penalty was next given you. You were told that the name of the First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood is "the Son," meaning, the Son of God.

The Law of Consecration, as contained in the book of Doctrine and Covenants was explained to you, and you received this law by covenant.

The Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail, or the Nail in the Sure Place was given you, together with its sign. The name of this token will be given you at the Veil. This Token has reference to the crucifixion of the Savior. When he was placed upon the cross, the crucifiers drove nails through the palms of his hands, then fearing that the weight of his body would cause the nails to tear through the flesh of the hands, they drove nails through his wrists. Hence, in the palm is the Sign of the Nail, and in the wrist, is the Sure Sign of the Nail, or the Nail in the Sure place. You then took the Oath of Vengeance, which is, that you would continually pray that God will avenge the blood of the martyred prophets upon this wicked nation. You were taught the True Order of Prayer, which you will use to call upon God for the rest of your life. You have now progressed so far in the Endowment that you are ready to receive the name of the Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, and to pass through the Veil, into the Celestial Kingdom.

The sisters in this company who are to be married for time and eternity should be taken through the Veil by their intended husband.

Brethren and sisters, you will have received this day, the sacred ordinances of the Endowment; the Eternal Plan of Salvation for man as he journeys from his pre-existent state, to his future high place in the Celestial Kingdom, has been presented to you. You have covenanted to obey all the laws of the gospel, including the laws of Obedience, Sacrifice, the Gospel, Chastity, and Consecration, which make possible an exaltation with the Gods; and you have received the First and Second Tokens of the Aaronic Priesthood, and the First and Second Tokens of the Melchizedek Priesthood, with the names, signs and penalties of these Tokens, except the name of the Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, which will be given you at the Veil. All this is done for the glory, honor and endowment of the children of Zion.

Brethren and sisters, strive to comprehend the glorious things presented to you this day. No other people on earth have ever had this privilege, except as they have



received the keys of the Holy Priesthood, given in the Endowment.

These are what are termed "the Mysteries of Godliness," that which will enable you to understand the expression of the Savior, made just prior to his betrayal: "This is life Eternal, that thy might know thee, the Only True God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent." May God bless you all, amen.

## Ceremony at the Veil

*(Peter directs the patrons to the Veil segments. A worker [Adam and Eve, if possible] stands at each segment to introduce the patron to "the Lord" who is on the other side of the Veil. The worker gives three distinct taps with the mallet.)*

Lord: *(Slightly parting the Veil says...)*  
What is wanted?

Worker: Adam (Eve), having been true and faithful in all things, desires further light and knowledge, by conversing with the Lord, through the Veil.

Lord: Present him at the Veil, and his request shall be granted.

*(The Lord puts forth his right hand, gives the First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood, and asks...)*

Lord: What is that?

Patron:: The First Token of the Aaronic Priesthood.

Lord: Has it a name?

Patron: It has.

Lord: Will you give it to me?

Patron: I will, through the Veil.  
*(Patron gives the New Name.)*

*(The Lord gives the Second Token of the Aaronic Priesthood, and asks...)*

Lord: What is that?

Patron: The Second Token of the Aaronic Priesthood.

Lord: Has it a name?

Patron: It has.

Lord: Will you give it to me?

Patron: I will through the Veil.  
*(Patron gives his first given name.)*

*(The Lord gives the First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, or Sign of the Nail, and asks...)*

Lord: What is that?

Patron: The First Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, or Sign of the Nail.

Lord: Has it a name?

Patron: It has.

Lord: Will you give it to me?

Patron: I will, through the veil.  
(Patron gives this name -- the Son.)

*(The Lord gives the Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail, and asks...)*

Lord: What is that?

Patron: The Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail.

Lord: Has it a name?

Patron: It has.

Lord: Will you give it to me?

Patron: I cannot. I have not yet received it. For this purpose I have come to converse with the Lord through the Veil.

Lord: You shall receive it upon the Five Points of Fellowship through the Veil.

*(The Five Points of Fellowship are "inside of right foot by the side of right foot, knee to knee, breast to breast, hand to back, and mouth to ear." The Lord and Patron, while still holding the Patriarchal Grip, embrace by placing their left arms through the marks of the compass and square in the Veil. Patron's left arm goes through the mark of the compass. Lord's left arm goes through the mark of the square. The Lord then gives the name of this token.)*

Lord: This is the name of the token: "Health in the navel, marrow in the bones, strength in the loins and in the sinews, power in the Priesthood be upon me, and upon my posterity through all generations of time, and throughout all eternity."

Lord: What is that?

Patron: The Second Token of the Melchizedek Priesthood, the Patriarchal Grip, or Sure Sign of the Nail.

Lord: Has it a name?

Patron: It has.

Lord: Will you give it to me?

Patron: I will, upon the Five Points of Fellowship through the Veil.  
Health in the navel, marrow in the bones, strength in the loins and in the sinews, power in the Priesthood be upon me, and upon my posterity through all generations of time, and throughout all eternity.

Lord: That is correct.

*(Patron and Lord separate from the Five Points of Fellowship and break the Patriarchal Grip. The worker gives three distinct taps with the mallet. The Lord parts the Veil and asks...)*

Lord:           What is wanted?

Worker:       Adam (Eve), having conversed with the Lord through the Veil desires now to enter His presence.

*(The Lord puts forth His right hand, takes the person by the right hand and says...)*

Lord:           Let him enter.

*(The Veil is now parted and the Lord with His right hand takes the Patron by the right hand, and gently pulls him through the Veil into the Celestial room.)*

# MARRIAGE

# MARRIAGE CEREMONY

## Monogamous

### Instructions

Bride and groom with robes on right shoulders kneel at the altar. Groom on north side and bride on south side. They join hands in the Patriarchal Grip. Officiator stands west of the altar, facing east. Witnesses are seated on each side of and behind the Officiator.

### Ceremony

Officiator: Brother \_\_\_\_\_, do you take sister \_\_\_\_\_, by the right hand and receive her unto yourself to be your lawful and wedded wife, and you to be her lawful and wedded husband, for time and all eternity, with a covenant and promise that you will observe and keep all the laws, rites, and ordinances pertaining to this Holy Order of Matrimony in the New and Everlasting Covenant, and this you do in the presence of God, angels, and these witnesses of your own free will and choice?

Groom: Yes.

Officiator: Sister \_\_\_\_\_, do you take brother \_\_\_\_\_, by the right hand and give yourself to him to be his lawful and wedded wife, and for him to be your lawful and wedded husband, for time and all eternity, with a covenant and promise that you will observe and keep all the laws, rites, and ordinances pertaining to this Holy Order of Matrimony in the New and Everlasting Covenant, and this you do in the presence of God, angels, and these witnesses of your own free will and choice?

Bride: Yes.

Officiator: In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and by authority of the Holy Melchizedek Priesthood vested in me, I pronounce you \_\_\_\_\_ (*Groom's full name.*), and you \_\_\_\_\_

(*Bride's full name.*), lawfully husband and wife for time and all eternity, and I seal upon you the blessings of the holy resurrection with power to come forth in the morning of the first resurrection clothed in glory, immortality, and eternal lives, and I seal upon you the blessings of kingdoms, thrones, principalities, powers, dominions and exaltations, with all the blessings of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and say unto you: be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth, that you may have joy and rejoicing in your posterity in the day of the Lord Jesus Christ. All these blessings, together with all the blessings appertaining unto the New and Everlasting Covenant, I seal upon you by virtue of the Holy Priesthood, through your faithfulness, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, Amen.

*(If desired, it is appropriate for bride and groom to kiss over the altar and to exchange rings after rising and stepping away from the altar. Others may congratulate them, but then should leave the room so that the new couple may pray over the altar for the first time as husband and wife.)*



# MARRIAGE CEREMONY

## Plural

**Instructions:** First Plurality: The wife giving her husband a new bride stands on the left hand of her husband, while the bride stands on her left. Additional Plurality: The wife giving her husband a new bride stands on the left hand of her husband and all other wives to her left and then the new bride to the left of all of them.

### Ceremony

#### First Plurality:

Officiator: Do all of you fully consent to this union of your own free will and choice and will you all abide in unity in this Holy Order of Matrimony? If you will, raise your right arms to the square and say "yes."

All Parties: Yes.

Officiator: Sister \_\_\_\_\_ (Wife), since you are willing to give this woman to your husband to be his lawful and wedded wife for time and all eternity, you will manifest it by placing her right hand within the right hand of your husband.

#### Additional Plurality:

Officiator: Do all of you fully consent to this union of your own free will and choice and will you all abide in unity in this Holy Order of Matrimony? If you will, raise your right arms to the square and say "yes."

All Parties: Yes.

Officiator: Sisters, since each of you individually and as sister wives are willing to give this woman to your husband to be his lawful and wedded wife for time and all eternity, you will manifest it by the wife next to the bride placing her right hand in the right hand of the wife next to you and so on, as the bride passes in front of you, until the last wife places the bride's right hand within the right hand of your husband.

**Instructions:** Bride and groom with robes on right shoulders kneel at the altar. Groom on north side and bride on south side. They join hands in the Patriarchal Grip. Other wives, in Robes, also kneel at the altar and place their hands on top of the bride and groom's hands. Officiator stands west of the altar, facing east. Witnesses are seated on each side of and behind the Officiator.

### Ceremony

Officiator: Brother \_\_\_\_\_, do you take sister \_\_\_\_\_, by the right hand and receive her unto yourself to be your lawful and wedded wife, and you to be her lawful and wedded husband, for time and all eternity, with a covenant and promise that you will observe and keep all the laws, rites, and ordinances pertaining to this Holy Order of Matrimony in the New and Everlasting Covenant, and this you do in the presence of God, Angels, and these witnesses of your own free will and choice?

Groom: Yes.

Officiator: Sister \_\_\_\_\_, do you take brother \_\_\_\_\_, by the right hand and give yourself to him to be his lawful and wedded wife, and for him to be your lawful and wedded husband, for time and all eternity, with a covenant and promise that you will observe and keep all the laws, rites, and ordinances pertaining to this Holy Order of Matrimony in the New and Everlasting Covenant, and this you do in the presence of God, Angels, and these witnesses of your own free will and choice?

Bride: Yes.

Officiator: In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and by authority of the Holy Melchizedek Priesthood vested in me, I pronounce you \_\_\_\_\_ (Groom's full name.), and you \_\_\_\_\_ (Bride's full name.), lawfully husband and wife for time and all eternity, and I seal upon you the blessings of the holy resurrection with power to come forth in the morning of the first resurrection clothed in glory, immortality, and eternal lives, and I seal upon you the blessings of kingdoms, thrones, principalities, powers, dominions and exaltations, with all the blessings of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and say unto you: be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth, that you may have joy and rejoicing in your posterity in the day of the Lord Jesus Christ. All these blessings, together with all the blessings appertaining unto the New and Everlasting Covenant, I seal upon you by virtue of the Holy Priesthood, through your faithfulness, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, Amen.

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